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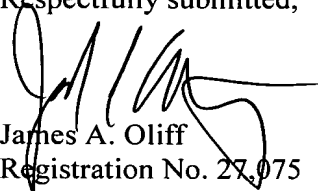
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Sir:

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- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. A partial translation of the relevance of the non-English language reference 9 is attached hereto.
- ☒ 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references 6-8 and 10 are attached hereto.
- ☒ 4. English-language references 2 and 3 correspond to non-English language references 4 and 5, respectively.

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